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TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

At this time, the end of the first year in your midst, we have a large number of subscribers whose subscriptions are now due. This is due to our policy of not pressing for payment until our year was up, because if we had not been able to weather the depression, it would have created confusion. To those we ask that they kindly remit and start the New Year with a clean sheet.

TO OUR MERCHANTS—We wish to thank all those who have stood loyally by us in our efforts to issue a clean paper, free from personalities, and from news of the lower standard. We ask that in this coming year each and every businessman will help make the paper brighter by being represented in its columns. We now wish one and all a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

Xmas Entertainments For the Children

The last two weeks have proved a great source of delight for the children, as many entertainments have been put on both in town and district.

St. Monica's S. S.

The Anglican Sunday School held its annual entertainment and Xmas tree on December 16th, in the library building. Lunch was first served, then a program by the children, after which Santa appeared and gave out the prizes.

School Concert

The school concert was held on Thursday evening last and was greeted by a good house. The program was under the direction of the teachers and was most ably presented by the children. The excellent applause gave evidence that it was appreciated. Following is the program.

O Canada

Xmas Stocking Drill, Primary
Recitation, Julia Williams
Just Before Christmas, Song
Monolog, Vera Brackney
Santa's Cooks, Primary
Violin Solo, J. Holditch
Evergreen, Drill, Miss Panrucker's room

Chorus, Primary

Play: "Strike in Santa Land"
Stewart's room

Piano Solo, Agnes Whiting

Recitation, Matteo Zacharuk

Senior Girls' Drill

Recitation, Kathryn Williams

Harmonica Solo, Hugh Tulloch

Boys' Athletics

Duet, Ian Conway, June Ray

Play: "Teaching 'Tillie'" Miss Panrucker's room

Piano Solo, Mac Steele

Recitation, Arthur Jewell

Recitation, Aileen Spiece

Merry Xmas Song, Miss Panrucker's room

Good Night Drill, Primary

Play: "Pa's New Housekeeper"

Senior pupils

"God Save the King"

Hickling School

The children of the Hickling school held their concert and Xmas tree on the 22nd and put on a program that was thoroughly enjoyed by the large number present, after which candies, etc. were distributed.

Gadsby Lake

The annual Xmas tree was held at the school last week. A very

Five Generation Fat Christmas Dinner

An event of unusual occurrence took place on Christmas Day at the home of L. Olson, when 23 relatives, representing five generations of the Herniman family, gathered round the festive board. The seat of honor was given to Great-Great Grandmother, who although in her 88th year, is hale and hearty, and sang that old song, "The Mistletoe Bough". Those representing the five generations were Mrs. Herniman, Mrs. H. D. Landis, Mrs. J. Astle, Mrs. George Burt and little Milton Burt.

Mrs. E. Morrison entertained a number of friends this week.

Mrs. Drone, of Winnipeg, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. G. Walker.

Mrs. White, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. G. Williams, returned to her home on Wednesday.

A very enjoyable evening was spent in dancing at the home Mrs. Stevenson on Tuesday evening. Six orchestra, of Stettler, furnished the music.

enjoyable program was given by the scholars. Candies, fruits and nuts were distributed liberally and everybody had a glorious time.

George School

The children of George School district held their annual concert and Xmas tree on December 16, when a crowded school greeted them. A fine program was rendered, after which presents, etc. were distributed.

Lake Bend

The Lake Bend Xmas tree and concert was held last Thursday and the program rendered was certainly a credit to the children. This was followed by the distribution of candies, etc.

Ripley

It certainly was an enthusiastic audience that greeted the children at their annual concert and Xmas tree. A poem composed and given by Milton Ropor brought down the house. After this distribution of candies and nuts were made.

Mirror United Church

December 24th was the scene of great activity in the United Church when the children had their annual Xmas tree, from which presents were distributed.

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a Happy and Prosperous
New Year**

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Medicine Men Now Giving Way to
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Indians of Canada, who hitherto have placed their faith in Indian medicine men and have refused treatment by white doctors, are gradually becoming converted, and hospitals provided by the Canadian government are being more freely used. Efforts of the department of Indian affairs to cope with diseases among the 100,000 wards of the government are outlined by Dr. Duncan C. Scott, deputy superintendent-general of Indian affairs, in a report presented to parliament. In addition to a corps of medical officers, the department has a staff of travelling nurses who are performing work of great value.

Every effort is made to instill into the minds of the Indian children at least a rudimentary knowledge of hygiene, particularly as related to the prevention of tuberculosis, which is the great foe of the Indian. Members of outlying bands which gather at stated times to receive the annual treaty payments, are given medical attention by a doctor who accompanies the Indian agent.

In northern Ontario, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Quebec, the health problem is assuming a very serious aspect in the outlying districts. These Indians of the unsettled or recently settled regions are still in a primitive state, and are almost solely dependent on hunting and trapping for their livelihood. In former times the Indians had a virtual monopoly of the chase, and their physical well-being was reasonably assured, but in recent years there has been an influx of white trappers to an extent that is alarming from the point of view of the Indians. The white trapper is more astute and energetic than the aborigine, who cannot understand the keen competition in which he is utterly unaccustomed.

Dr. Scott mentions in his report that while the Indian agent profits from the participation of Indians in stampedes and presents outside their own reserves, it is most difficult to control either Indians or municipalities, and he sometimes thinks a drastic measure of restriction might be in the interests of the Indians.

The Indian population of Canada shows a slight increase and the cost of their trust fund has increased to \$12,415,400.

The Soul Of Man

Modern Surgery Unable to Locate its
Position

Modern surgeons still are as much in the dark about man's soul as ever, although they have explored every root and corner of the body and know to the last detail his composition and functions, said Dr. Charles Mayo of Rochester, Minn., in an address before the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Surgical Association at Chicago. "Like the soul but with a will," he said, "we have taken man's form apart and put it together again, but as yet are lurching about the force that makes it run. Some believe the soul to be in the brain, others think it is in the heart, I have met men and women whose actions led me to believe their souls—if they have such equipment—would be found in their stomachs."

Mail In Dead Letter Office

Enormous Number of Letters are
Accumulating Annually

Berthie efforts of the post office department, an enormous number of dead letters accumulate annually. In the report of the department just issued, it is stated that in the year ended March 31, 1926, 1,821,223 dead letters were handled. A curious feature is that more than 1,000 of these were registered letters, and 10,434 contained money. All told a sum of \$10,451 was recovered from dead letters. Efforts of the department succeeded in restoring \$17,761 to the owners. The balance of \$1,750 has been taken into the federal treasury.

Biggest Load of Wheat

What is believed to be the biggest load of wheat ever hauled into Montreal, by four horses, was delivered to the Saskatchewan pool elevator, on Dec. 16th, by Alex. Nolan. The gross weight of the load was 12,040 lbs. and the total amount of wheat was 389 bushels, 28 lbs.

Glycerine is now used in so many ways that it is becoming scarce, and the price has risen from about \$425 per ton three months ago to over \$550 today.

Charlotte—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. 853, let's celebrate our paper wedding anniversary a year from next Thursday, what do you say?

W. N. L. 1681

Scotts At Aviation Danger

Sir Alan Cobham Says Flying Properly
Carried Out Is Safe

Aviation as the creator of stronger bonds between the various units of the British Commonwealth of Nations, and as a definite factor for peace throughout the world, was the word picture painted by Sir Alan Cobham, one of the pioneers of long-distance air travel, in a delightfully breezy address given in reply to an official welcome from the city of Toronto, tendered at a luncheon in the King Edward Hotel.

In typical fashion, Sir Alan poked fun at the "perils of the air" which Cobham today had mentioned. "That is just the idea I have been trying to kill for the last five or six years," he said. "One needs to develop a kind of Coolidge on the subject by repeating: 'It is perfectly safe and simple to fly. Flying, if properly carried out, is not dangerous, and when I say that I mean it. The idea of perils of the air dates back to the war time.'"

"We have got to that stage where, I assure you, taking a trip from London to Paris is just as safe by air as by any other way; in fact, it is safer between Calais and Paris."

There were three separate kinds of aviation, Sir Alan continued, and it was because the three were confused that ideas detrimental to flying were entertained today.

First, there was service flying in the army, navy or air force. Then there was air transport—commercial or passenger mail or goods, with air liners flying to and from two definite points, which was a totally different proposition from service flying. Lastly, there was the private owner.

Passing over service flying, in which a pilot has to learn all kinds of "tricks," Sir Alan declared that air transport was straight flying between two points, with an experienced pilot, and with constant wireless communication. Three-engine machines, which would fly safely with two engines, were being used, so that they would be safe if one engine went "dead" during a trip.

As regards the private owner, Sir Alan thought that the rising generation was developing a mentality for aviation. The young man of today, he observed, was learning to fly much more rapidly than the tyros of 10 or 15 years ago.

Seeking To Recover Paintings Destroyed

Artist Finds Pictures He Put Where
Restored and Sold

One summer morning in 1914, the well-known French painter, Charles Camoin, decided to destroy all his paintings which he was not pleased with, and by constant work and study, he had made out into sixty-six canvases. He then proceeded to forget about them.

What was his utter astonishment when he learned that many of his artistic efforts were included in a sale of the collection of Francis Carco, held in March of last year. Mr. Camoin immediately proceeded against the auctioneers and the court ordered the seizure of the revived paintings.

In February of this year, other Camoin paintings mysteriously appeared at a fictitious street sale, but they were sold as of "unknown origin," some for as low as 10 francs.

Mr. Camoin then continued the investigations and now it appears that all the paintings which he so carefully cut to pieces have been secretly and mysteriously put together again and sold at prices which, absurdly enough, range from 10 francs to many thousands. Such prominent names as Rodin, Chagall, in the list of those who have Camoin "destroyed" pictures.

Mr. Camoin has brought suit to obtain his pictures, plus damages, and all the present owners have been ordered to appear in court to show cause why they should not give them up.

Meanwhile, one of the dealers who purchased some of them has intervened with a suit on behalf of the "Syndicate of Artists' Property" to prevent "for the general interest against the moral right of artists to their works."

Styles Affect Trade

People are always laughing about the fashions, but they are not a joke to everybody. (The women were not dressing in silk stockings, dresses and underclothing instead of cotton garments, our cotton growers and textile mills would not be in the difficulties that now annoy them. And if ladies were the shoe they used to wear instead of the little pumps that are fashionable, the leather business would not be in the doldrums—YOUTH COMPANION.

Dist clouds sympathized scores of persons in a storm in Paraguay recently.

One unkindly charity that isn't on parade.

Eugenics And Euthenics

Value of Environment in the Influencing
of Human Destiny

Two terms to which a great deal of attention has been paid of recent years are eugenics and euthenics. The science of race improvement, based its appeal on the great influence which heredity has on the health and mentality of human beings. Euthenics, on the other hand, has to do with influence of environment.

It would appear that in spite of the importance of all the things that have been said by the followers of Sir Francis Galton, the exponents of the "euthenics" idea of the greater value of environment as a factor in the influencing of human destiny have the better of the argument.

Notwithstanding much talk about the family tree, noble-mindedness, sterilization of the unfit and restrictive marriage laws, very little has been accomplished in the development of eugenic methods. On the other hand, practically all of the wonderful advances made in preventive medicine and hygiene have been made by euthenics methods. One authority states that out of one hundred English alive at ten years of age thirty-nine survive to be sixty-eight; out of one hundred Roman Egyptians not one survived. All of this was accomplished by improved environment.

Eugenics doubtless has its place in a well-ordered community, but it behooves most of us to pay greater attention to the development of the mind and bodies of our own generation rather than "develop excessive zealousness for the welfare of generations yet unborn at the expense of our own. The greatest eugenics are agreed that social hygiene includes both eugenics and euthenics, although the tendency in Anglo-Saxon countries has been to confine the activities of social hygiene organizations to the restricted fields of sex education and venereal disease control.

Had Same Symptoms

Doctor to Patient who claims to be
a nervous wreck)—"What are your symptoms?"

Patient—"I jump when I hear a telephone, the door-bell sends me to hysteria. Any stranger coming to the house frightens me out of my life, and I'm afraid to pick up a newspaper. Do you know what's wrong with me?" Doctor—"Yes. My wife drives a car, too!"

Mr. Johnson—"If you live a decent life, I won't rest unless she is an ugly woman that I am!" Johnson—"But I haven't time to hunt over the whole city for a steam scaphander—I've got to have one right away."



Sailor Prince Visits Canada

His Royal Highness Prince George, fourth son of King George V., recently traversed the Dominion from Vancouver to Saint John en route to join the Royal Family for Christmas in England. Although his arrival and trip through Canada was daily chronicled by C.P.R., as the company's ship Montreal from Saint John for England. The vessel carried a heavy passenger list of Canadians from the Prairie Provinces also intent on spending Christmas in the Old Country. The prince expressed the hope that he would return to Canada next year with the Prince of Wales on the occasion of the celebration of the 60th anniversary of Confederation.

World's Highest Building

Super Skyscraper to be Erected In
New York

The world's highest building, an office structure of 110 stories, towering 1,368 feet above the street level, will be built in the Times Square district, New York, early next year, according to plans filed with the Manhattan Bureau of Buildings, by John A. Larkin, president of the 330 West Forty Second Street Corporation, the prospective builder.

The super skyscraper, which will be known as the Larkin Tower Building, will be erected on a plot of approximately 50,000 square feet on the south side of West Forty Second Street, between Eighth and Ninth Avenues, and will cost, it was announced, \$15,000,000. The value of the ground was said to be \$1,500,000 making the total cost of the property \$22,500,000, on which the builders expect to obtain a yearly rental of approximately \$200,000.

The building will exceed by 200 feet the Eiffel Tower in Paris, which is the tallest structure in the world, and will be 500 feet higher than the Woolworth Building, which, with its 55 stories, now is the tallest building in the world.

A Unique Road

The Pulpmobile Railroad Between
Nome and Shelton

Since novelty of transportation is the claim to fame of this Pulpmobile railroad between Nome and Shelton, Alaska, for the trains are pulled both by locomotives and engines.

The motive power is furnished by husky dogs and the railroad crew is composed of the passengers themselves. Operation of the trains consists solely in wielding a whip, except in cases where two trains meet between sidings. In that contingency, the one with the lighter load is lifted from the track while the other passes. Then the "engine" is hitched on again and the journey continues.

The railroad has 87 miles of narrow-gauge track. It was built in the early days of Alaska mining to connect the Koyukuk mining district with the coast, and was bought by the Territory three years ago. It is now operated by the Alaska road commission for the public use.

Spanish Street Dangers

Just what the professional sport well organized throughout Spanish-speaking countries on both the European and the American continents, is fast, spectacular, violent and a little dangerous to the growing class of tourists, with something of the virility of football added.

Habitual drunkards in Madrid must have their heads shaved every four weeks, under penalty of law.

Proved Youth Of Husband

Turkish Woman Contended 123-Year-
Old Man Younger Than 60-Year-
Old

Socrates got his fatal hemlock drink for his ability to prove the worse to be the better cause, but a Turkish peasant woman has been rewarded with 60 cents by her fellow villagers for proving an older husband to be younger than a younger one.

The village of Araklis, in Anatolia, was recently put into an uproar by a violent argument between two neighbors, one the wife of a certain Mehmet to whom the village records accorded the age of 120, the other the wife of sixty-year-old Haid. Haid was recently put into an uproar by a violent argument between two neighbors, one the wife of a certain Mehmet to whom the village records accorded the age of 120, the other the wife of sixty-year-old Haid. Haid was recently put into an uproar by a violent argument between two neighbors, one the wife of a certain Mehmet to whom the village records accorded the age of 120, the other the wife of sixty-year-old Haid.

The villagers even raised the sum of one lira, approximately 50 cents, as a prize for the wife of the winner. A distance of 165 yards was marked out; the two old men were dragged from their soundest corners in the village coffee house and pushed over the starting line by their furious wives. To the amazement of the spectators, 120-year-old Mehmet hobbled along with such alacrity that he soon left far behind Haid Hinnan, whose years were only sixty, and crossed the finish amid the cheers of the villagers and the embrace of his triumphant wife.

Fame and Greatness

Two Qualities Often as Far Apart as
the Poles

It is a more or less common experience in one's daily mingling with one's fellows, to hear the terms "fame" and "greatness" used interchangeably. In reality, the two qualities may be as far removed as the poles. "Fame," Carlyle tells us, "we may understand, is a mere test of merit, but the probability of such" on the other hand, two great qualities are an eternal quality, derived from God, the source of all good.

Pause for a moment and consider the life of the greatest man who ever walked earth, Christ Jesus, whose beloved words hung down the centuries with ever increasing conviction and inspiration, whose mighty acts kindled in mankind renewed hope and courage. Can any character in all history be so far from greatness as to radiate from the life and works of the Nazarene Prophet, whose tender, wise counsels point out the way to eternal and complete salvation, and whose voice calls with loving compassion to weary, sin-burdened humanity, "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest?"—Christian Science Monitor.

Unsafe Place For Tourists

Danger lurks in Every Corner in "Old
Port" Section of Marseilles

Reformist organizations admit the futility of their efforts to clean out the deplorable conditions of the famous "Old Port" section of Marseilles.

No tourists penetrate the old port where in labyrinthine alleys, narrow, dark, dirtier and more sordid than the most squalid slum in an American industrial town, the riff-raff of the world—white, yellow, brown but mostly African black—shuffles furtively.

Despite an elaborately organized system of police protection with heavily armed gendarmes, always in pairs or groups, constantly circulating in the lanes, thick with the smells of the lowest form of dog life and the sounds of artificially merry vice, danger lurks at every corner after dark.

Breaking The News

Boy Believed in Telling Truth to
Sister's Friend

The youthful Robert had answered the door to find a smartly-dressed young man on the doorstep.

"Is your sister in, my child?" inquired the visitor in lofty tones.

"No," answered the boy. "May's just gone out."

"Ah," sighed the suitor. "I am like the man who went to the cage but found the bird had flown. Yes, not Robert smiled an unhappy smile."

"No," he said. "You're like the month of June, for when you come round May always goes out."

The original warrant for the execution of Charles I. is in the library of the House of Lords. It was procured by Colonel Barker after the Restoration, and was the evidence upon which those who had signed it were executed from the indemnity act.

It is impossible to acquire a round ear in a square deal.

An elephant seldom sleeps more than four or five hours a day.

The Advantage Of Rotations

Rotation of Crops Found to Possess
Many Advantages

Everybody will agree that rotation of crops, as Messrs. E. S. Hopkins and W. C. Hopper state in their recently issued bulletin by the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa, possesses advantages of tremendous weight. But some of the statements these experts on the staff of the Field Husbandry Division of the Dominion Experimental Farms make, cannot be too roughly put in mind by every tiller of the soil. Here are a few that appear in the introductory paragraph of the bulletin, which can be had free of cost by addressing the Publications Branch at Ottawa.

To produce a rotation a large yield per acre requires very little additional expense beyond that necessary for the production of a small crop. The adoption of a good rotation involves merely an arrangement of the cropping plan so as to produce one crop after another in the proper sequence.

If proper methods of tillage are followed on the rotations weeds are controlled more satisfactorily than by continuous or imbalanced cropping.

If heavy crops of hay are produced some kinds of weeds are prevented from growing.

Fusoid pests and fungi are kept in check better by rotations than where the same kind of crop follows itself. The silks of corn are improved by rotations in winter and is ploughed under frequently.

The labor on the farm is better distributed.

Among the chief factors which increase the fertility of the soil are crop rotations, the growth of leguminous crops, the practice of good tillage methods, and the application of manure and proven commercial fertilizers.

The bulletin proceeds to outline upon the advantages of many different rotations, such as those covering from three to six years, double rotation, grain-hay-pasture rotation, rotations for grain and mixed farming, potatoes, and so on, and on various methods of cultivation.

Stamps Of Christmas Island

Are quite Different From Those of
Other British Possessions

The Christmas Island stamps of the Christmas Islands is very interesting. Very few collectors have ever heard of this small island and fewer still have seen this picturesque and beautiful island. It is classed as a local stamp and is not in the same class as the stamps of Canada or other British Possessions as it was issued by a company and not by a Colony or Dominion.

Christmas Island is a British Possession under the Government of the Straits Settlements in the Pacific Ocean. Its area is given as twelve miles long and three miles wide and it was never inhabited by man until Europeans settled there in 1897.

The stamps have a face value of 5 cents, denoted by the "5" in the corners and is cancelled by the Company's Agent.

The stamp, rectangular in shape, pictures a yacht under sail moored to the island, which is shown in the background while a flock of birds is flying near the ship. The colors of the stamp are blue, gold, red and green.

Enrolls Oldest Co-Ed.

Woman of Seventy-Seven Taking
College Course to Keep Mind
Young

Northwestern university claimed to have enrolled as a student "America's oldest co-ed." She is Mrs. N. O. Freeman, 77 years old, of Davis, Ill., widow of a Methodist minister. Mrs. Freeman, petite, gray-haired, and with snapping blue eyes, said she decided to go to college because she did not want to "let myself and just grow old and feeble." She said she enjoyed the association with the other co-eds, most of them in their early twenties. "My message to other women is: Don't retire, don't grow rusty, don't give up, but make your mind in every good thing, and above all, improve your mind and add to your knowledge. It is never too late to obtain an education."

Among London's strange occupations are carting, selling hot water in the markets and painting door knockers.

Clark—"Does your milkman sell milk from contented cows?" "Discontent—No, he sells milk from cheerful fatted."

In Northern Siberia some natives are reported to practice a form of hibernation sleeping during the winter for days at a time.

PROPOSAL MADE TO ESTABLISH AN AIR MAIL SYSTEM

Saint John, N.B.—Proposals for making the establishment of an air mail system in Canada are under observation and consideration by the Post Office Department, Hon. P. J. Venet, postmaster-general, said recently at Bathurst in an interview over the long distance telephone.

"The matter," he added, "is only in its tentative stages as yet and a definite policy has not been adopted, but we have it in hand and expect to make a definite announcement in the near future."

A full trial, he said, would be given the carrying of mails by aeroplane, probably on a small basis at first, but if conditions and results warranted, the system likely would be increased.

Whether this will come before the House of Commons during the session opening in February, in the way of appropriation of money for the matter, Hon. Mr. Venet was not prepared to say.

The Post Office Department, he said, had followed with interest the success attending the idea in the United States.

Output Of Clay Products

Ontario Leads Dominion With Sales Totalling \$5,195,084

Regina.—The production of clay and clay products in Canada during 1925 was valued at \$5,195,084 according to finally revised statistics just issued by the Mining Metallurgical and Chemical Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. This year's sales were 10 per cent higher than the total of \$4,716,672 reported for 1924. The Ontario production in 1925, was valued at \$3,195,081 or 54.5 per cent of the total for Canada. Quebec came next with a sales value of \$2,428,387. Alberta, British Columbia, Nova Scotia, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island followed in the order named.

Disturbed Over Wage Scale

London Women Bank Clerks Receive Less Than Typists
London Women Bank Clerks Receive London are disturbed at a new scale of salaries issued by the Westminster Bank, one of the largest institutions in the Kingdom. Under this scale a woman bank clerk will be paid £20 a year less than a shorthand typist in the same office. It is also intimated that women clerks may not hope to rise to positions where they will have supervision of men clerks.

An official of the bank says women are good at routine work, but when it comes to the higher work, with its demand for initiative and enterprise they are likely to fall down.

Plan For National Defence

Sweden Wages Fleet That Can Defend Whole Coast

Stockholm.—A fleet capable of defending the whole coast line of the country was recommended by the special committee appointed to draw up a naval construction program in accordance with the National defence reorganization scheme adopted in Parliament last year. The committee suggests an expenditure of 165,400,000 Swedish Crown (about \$26,350,000) between 1925 and 1928.

Made Safe Landing

Letchworth, N.Z.—A marine has landed here with the situation in hand—a life balloon that ran away with him, when a 1,000-foot cable parted. Lieut. Frank J. Uhlir seemed to use a parachute, even if the balloon did start toward Iceland. After a life of eight miles with an auto, a blimp and an aeroplane pursuing him, he landed a tree with the broken cable.

Memorial to Socialist Leader

New York.—The name of Joseph V. Licks, Socialist leader, will be perpetuated in air instead of stone. The national executive of the Socialist Party has rejected proposals to erect a monument to their dead leader and decided to open a radio broadcasting station, WJLB, in his honor. It was announced recently.

U.S. Food Act Amended

Washington.—The Food and Drug Act has been amended by the United States House to include a provision that raw fruits and vegetables grown outside the United States and its territories shall be so labelled when sold in this country. Rice is included in the provision.

Patriotic South Africa

Stand Taken by Premier Herzog Creates Intense Enthusiasm

Cape Town, South Africa.—Premier Herzog's changed attitude since his return from the Imperial Conference in London continues to be widely commented upon. His declaration at Pretoria, that as a result of the Imperial Conference "the most ardent proponent of national liberty could now warmly support co-operation with the British Empire," has appealed, amid intense enthusiasm, to all the sons of the South African Union above racial prejudice or party division.

The Cape Times says Premier Herzog's speeches are shaking the foundation of the political life of South Africa. "They give the impression," The Times says, "that the man is busy about a greater task than any it seemed possible for him to undertake. His declaration of the new national responsibility will affect the whole attitude of the present government towards questions like that of the native policy and the Asiatic difficulty."

The Government's policy in the matter of the natives and Indian residents tends towards greater restrictions than are imposed upon the white and Indian and calls for segregation to some extent, but the whole question has been in abeyance for some months.

May Help Western Settlers

But Millions Will Not Be Spent Says Minister of Immigration

Ottawa.—Legislation to assist settlers on crown lands may be introduced into Parliament again this session.

At the present time, Hon. Robert Forke, Minister of Immigration, will neither confirm or deny the report, although he has denied reports which have appeared stating that annual expenditures of millions of dollars will be asked for in such a scheme.

Any legislation this year probably will be along the lines of last year's bill which never got past the committee stage in the House of Commons. The bill was to provide five per cent per year of \$10,000 to Canadian citizens and \$500 to alien settlers. It met with considerable opposition. The money was to be applied to settlers on crown lands in any part of Canada and the money was to be let out, on improvements and buildings.

Hon. Charles Stewart, acting Minister of Immigration, last year, when guiding the bill in the Commons, pointed out that there were ten million acres of land which could still be settled in the prairie provinces and which was not all good land, much of it was contiguous to railways and the bill restricted loans to those living within a radius of 15 miles of a railway.

Alberta Awaits Action Of Federal Government

Will Follow Ottawa Loan Scheme Says Provincial Treasurer

Edmonton, Alberta.—Whether or not a new rural credit bill will be introduced at the coming session of the Alberta legislature depends, according to Hon. R. G. Reid, provincial treasurer, upon the action of the Dominion authorities. If a Dominion-wide scheme for lending farm money is put through the federal house this winter, he says, the province will follow with ratifying legislation, and in the case of Alberta, a new act will be introduced at once when the final move has been made at Ottawa.

The framework for such an act in this province is already in hand and will require only the finishing touches to make it conform to the Dominion act. No delay is therefore anticipated in making the scheme operative.

Lloyd George Has An Eye To Business

Makes a Profit of \$5,000,000 for Campaign Fund by Shrewd Investment

London.—David Lloyd George has just proved that he has a business as well as a political brain by making a profit of \$5,000,000 for his campaign fund and \$500,000 for himself through a judicious investment.

As sole custodian of a campaign fund of about \$15,000,000 he bought the "Daily Chronicle" and backed his investment by investing some of his own money. He has just sold the newspaper to a syndicate at the profit stated.

Prince Celebrates Birthday

London.—Prince George, the youngest son of King George and Queen Mary, celebrated his 24th birthday, Dec. 20. A happy family party was held at Buckingham palace in honor of the young prince, who has recently returned from his lengthy naval service in Oriental waters.

Universal Disarmament

Germany Will Endeavor to Bring This Idea Nearer to Realization

Hamburg, Germany.—Germany regards the agreement reached at recent League of Nations council at Geneva for the withdrawal of the inter-allied military control commission as recognition that Germany has cleared Dr. Gustav Stresemann, foreign secretary in the ministry which resigned several days ago, made the statement. He added that it was incompatible with the spirit of the League of Nations for other countries to continue heavily armed while for Germany there were dedicated disarmament restrictions. At future meetings, he declared, Germany "will raise the problem of bringing the idea of universal disarmament nearer realization."

Dr. Stresemann was speaking at a banquet given in his honor by the Free State of Hamburg. As for the country's foreign policy, he said it would not be affected by the resignation of the bourgeois coalition cabinet or Chancellor Marx.

Britain Stands By Pact

Will Not Ask Revision of War Debt Settlements

London.—Great Britain will stand by her debt funding agreement and the principles of the Balfour note, was the comment of an official of the foreign office on the proposal of the faculty of political science of Columbia University, New York, for a conference to revise the war debt settlements.

"The official expressed the view that the proposal was the outcome of a purely academic and unofficial professional discussion, although it might have educational value, which, he crystallized, would undoubtedly be welcomed by British taxpayers."

"Debtors," he added, "are always willing to pay less than they owe."

Apart from this brief remark, the foreign official declined to comment.

BRITISH EMPIRE AS AGENCY FOR WORLD PEACE

Winning.—The British Empire is greater than ever at the present time, and recent changes in the attitude of the nations within the Empire toward one another, has not altered the fact that it stands in time of peace as it stood in time of war, the greatest agency of peace that the world has ever known. This was the definition of the British Empire given by Hon. N. W. Rowell, K.C., before the Canadian Club here.

Mr. Rowell declared that the purpose of the Imperial Conference had not been, as some thought, to define the status of the Dominions. The Dominions had not blossomed into self-governing entities in a day. Rather had the purpose of the conference on Imperial relations been to consider the changes required in administrative, legislative and judicial forms, to bring them into harmony with the status already acknowledged and declared.

Referring to public opinion in Canada relative to the status of the Dominion, Mr. Rowell thought to students of Canadian affairs could picture the future of the Dominion and at the same time be prepared to accept subsidiary relations to any other power. The vast majority of the Canadian people firmly believed in a full, equal status for Canada within the Empire, and the unity of all the nations comprising the Empire.

"To this view I subscribe. I believe that Canada's highest destiny lies within the Britannia family of nations."

Railway Official Appointed



ROWLAND FLYNN, who has been appointed Superintendent of the Western Region, Canadian National Railways, with headquarters in Winnipeg.

Trans-Atlantic Radio Phone Near Completion

London and New York Carry on Experimental Talks

New York.—Experiments with the trans-Atlantic wireless telephone have reached the stage where connections with London have been made from the ordinary telephone booth. London engineers, working on the wireless telephone have used store booths to talk to New York.

They have called the telephone central and been connected with the office doing the experimental work and from there have been looped into the wireless station and so across the ocean, where the messages have been taken from the air and put on a land wire for transmission to their destination. Only one speaker can talk at once in either direction.

London.—The cost of a three-minute trans-Atlantic telephone conversation when the service is opened is expected to be between \$15 and \$25. No definite charges have been fixed, but it is understood that these are the maximum and minimum figures under discussion between American Telephone officials and the British post office.

It is understood that in preparation for the opening service, which is expected next month, telephone directories covering Manhattan and Brooklyn have been compiled for London.

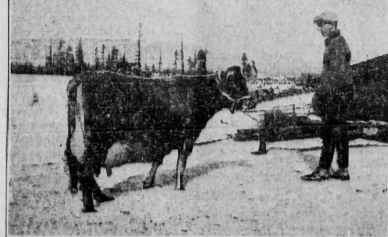
Uses Typewriter On Air Line

Woman Passenger From London to India Establishes Record

Marseilles.—Reuters special correspondent of the air liner which is being flown from London to Karachi, India, and which will later go into regular service between Cairo and Karachi is a unit of the new air service between these two cities, stated in a message that Mrs. Locker, a lecturer for the League of Nations Union and a former resident of Montreal, who is a passenger, has established a record as the first woman air typist. So steady was her machine that while flying between Elton and Toronto, in France, she was able to communicate with Reuters' correspondent by typing her replies to questions which had been put her in writing, owing to the noise of the engine.

Australia's Premier to Visit Canada

London.—Premier S. M. Bruce, of Australia, who remained in England since the close of the Imperial Conference, sailed for New York, Dec. 22, and will proceed to Ottawa for a short visit. He will make brief visits in Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, and Vancouver before sailing from the latter city for Australia. He will probably reach Vancouver by January 5.



A World's Record Cow

A recent distinguished passenger over the Canadian Pacific Railway was Pretoria, Oxford Janet, Number 37413, a Jersey cow who calved February 27, 1926. A 205 day lactation was instituted and it was found that she had produced 14,425 lbs. of milk and 872 lbs. of butter fat, the equivalent of 1,025 lbs. of butter. This is claimed to be a world's record for butterfat for Jerseys of all ages. She has produced in less than a year more than her own weight in butter. She belongs to the Rosedale Ranch, Armstrong, B.C.

U.S. Shipping Protests

Claim British-United States Liquor Treaty is Ruining Business

New York.—An attempt to have the British-United States treaty, which permits British vessels to bring liquor into the United States ports under seal, and renewed at the three mile limit, declared unconstitutional, was launched before the United States circuit court of appeals by the Neptune Association of Masters and Mates.

The treaty was characterized by representatives of the association as a menace to United States mariners and shipping.

Under provisions of the treaty, which make possible the serving of alcoholic beverages on British passenger vessels beyond the three mile limit, passengers are being drawn away from United States vessels to vessels where they may obtain alcoholic beverages, they asserted.

The result has been, according to the attorneys, a reduction in passenger traffic on United States vessels, and in the building of United States ships; the "tying up" at anchorages of vessels that might otherwise be engaged at passenger traffic; and the turning over of United States vessels to foreign companies and their transfer to foreign registers.

Although the treaty with Great Britain only was subjected to attack, it was stated by members of the Neptune association that if the circuit court of appeals should render a favorable decision, all similar treaties with whatever nation, will be attacked.

Dumping Aliens In West

Policy of Larding Penitentiaries Here in Winter is Condemned

Calgary.—The provincial government will not sanction nor give relief to penitentiaries unless brought to Canada in winter by railroad companies or other agencies according to William Carrill, superintendent of the Calgary branch of the employment service. Three Islanders from the advance guard of 116 who docked at St. John on December 15, and came direct to Calgary, excited immediate wrath. They were compelled to apply for relief. "The care of such men is a matter for the federal government," Mr. Carrill said. "It is nothing short of criminal to dump such men into the West in the dead of winter."

Franco-German Agreement

Powerful Polish Interests Have Signed Seven Year Pact

Winnipeg.—The powerful Polish interests of France and Germany, which have been working for some time in the world have completed an agreement relative to rates of production and division of world markets. It is reported from Lugano, Switzerland.

A ratio as of 79:39 for Germany and France respectively will be observed in all markets of the world, with the exception of the United States for which "special treatment" is being arranged. The agreement extends for a seven-year period.

C. N. R. BRANCH LINES PROPOSED FOR THE WEST

Ottawa.—Plans for the construction of branch railway lines at a cost of \$2,000,000, mostly in Saskatchewan, are under consideration by the Canadian National Railway. Definite decisions have not yet been made but it is believed the Western branches will include the following: From Ashmont, Alberta, into the Beaver River country; a link between St. Paul de Metis, Alberta, and the Turfhorst, Sask.; and continuation of the work on the branch running in an easterly direction from Turfhorst and the possibility of connecting it with Shellbrook, Sask.; a short line from Weyburn to Radville, Sask.; and a branch line running in an easterly direction from Radville, Sask. There will also be a number of small branches in the mining areas of Alberta, no definite plan as yet been reached as to these.

Stories to the effect that the Canadian National Railway's program would indicate an outlet from the Peace River country in northeastern Alberta are in general correct, but members and Government officials are said to be opposed to the construction of the proposed Peace River cut-off.

Only one work will be undertaken in Eastern Canada and that will be a 20-mile extension to the Lake St. John line to tap valuable industrial areas.

The proposals will be submitted to Parliament when the session is resumed.

ESTIMATE GIVEN OF WHEAT CROP GROWN IN WEST

Winnipeg.—The aggregate wheat crop of the three prairie provinces this year is placed at 37,136,609 bushels in the final estimate issued by the Southern Grain Dealers' Association. The total production of oats is estimated at 319,500,000 bushels; barley, 61,501,999 bushels; rye, 5,794,960 bushels; flax, 5,648,000 bushels.

The estimate is based on the average figures listed by the association on June 21 last. Figures were compiled from returns covering 12 per cent of country points in the western grain belt.

By provinces the wheat crop is estimated as follows:

Manitoba, 45,529,093 bushels.
Saskatchewan, 299,719,000 bushels.
Alberta, 125,253,960 bushels.

Labor Candidate Wins

Oswald Mosley, Rich Socialist Wins By Election in Britain

Smethwick.—Smethwick more than justified the confidence of the Laborite in the election for Parliament by electing Oswald Mosley, Laborite, by a large majority over his Conservative opponent, J. M. Pike, and the Liberal, W. Davies.

The vote was: Mosley, 13,677; Pike, 9,195; Davies, 2,600.

The result which was recorded with faint enthusiasm by Mosley's supporters shows that Socialist-Laborites of Smethwick were understood by the aristocratic extraction of Mosley and his wife, (who was Lady Cynthia Curzon), and their wealth, from giving him their confidence, and it may be, from testimony of the old saying in this country that "your Radical dear-by-loves a Lord."

Mr. Mosley said after the announcement: "The result shows that the Government has entirely lost the confidence of the country, and has now no mandate to govern."

Mr. Pike said: "The electorate seemed to have been hypnotized by Mosley's worldly possessions. The main lesson of the election is that the conquest of the Labor party by wealthy aristocrats has begun."

New Post Office Is Named Fort San

Mail for Qu'Appelle Sanatorium Should Carry This Address

Regina.—Fort San, the name of a new post office opened at the tuberculosis sanatorium at Fort Qu'Appelle. Patients and all members of the staff now get their mail direct instead of through the post office at Fort Qu'Appelle.

Opening the new office has speeded up the arrival of mail by several hours. W. H. Mudd has been appointed postmaster. All mail being forwarded to the Sanatorium at Fort Qu'Appelle should carry the new address, Fort San.

Has Educational Film Service

Paris.—The Ministry of Agriculture has organized an educational film service for the remote country district. So far there is a library of 23,000 films showing modern and economical methods of farming, stock raising, food preservation and storing, public and private hygiene, and child welfare. The pictures are shipped free to anybody who can show good use can be made of them.

Heard West's Appeal January 10

Ottawa.—The Government has fixed January 10, at 2 p.m., as the date for hearing the appeal of the Province of British Columbia, Alberta, and Saskatchewan to the cabinet council from the order of the Board of Railway Commissioners. The appeal is in respect to the rates on flour and grain routing towards the Pacific Coast.

Win Increase in Pay

Brussels.—The diamond cutters of Belgium, of whom there are more than 1,000, have just won a fight for increased pay. At first their employers declared a lockout but the bars were up only one week when they capitulated.

Preparing for World's Fair

Brussels.—The world's fair will be held in Brussels in 1935, and the country is already preparing for it. The city has voted 25,000,000 francs as a beginning.

Was Martyr to Science

Cambridge, Mass.—A martyr to science, Dr. James L. Koch, pioneer in the use of the X-ray, is dead from cancer contracted in his use.

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Canada during which he has tra-
versed the Dominion from Quebec to
Victoria, returning through the
United States, C. C. E. Young, in
charge of first-class booking office
of the Canadian Pacific Railway in
London, Eng., seen at headquarters
of the system in Montreal recently,
declared that the country had been
a revelation to him, fully explaining
the great attraction it is increasing-
ly exercising on tourists. "The
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tunity for seeing practically every
territory make up a combination of
advantages that are perhaps not to
be found elsewhere in the world to-
day," he said.

Around the Town

J. G. Russell spent Christmas
at his home in Calgary.

Mr. Stewart, of the school
staff, is spending the holidays
in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Good spent
Christmas with his brother at
Big Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Schmalz spent
Christmas at the old home in
Delburne.

Mr. and Mrs. Bamford, of
Macklin, Sask., spent Christmas
with her brother, W. J. Trotter.

Mrs. Geo. Bell is spending a
week with her parents at Le-
doux.

Messrs. Jim and Harold Old-
ring spent Christmas at their
home here.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Phelps spent
Christmas with his sister at
Trochu.

The annual meeting of the Gads-
by Lake School ratepayers will be
held on Jan. 8th in the school for
the election of new trustees and
any other school business that
may come before the meeting.

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2nd will see new train services.

We regret to chronicle the
illness of Mrs. R. G. Lowe, of
Alix, who is confined to her
bed with pneumonia.

Miss F. McDonald is home
from Kingman for the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. C. McCormack
spent Christmas with friends at
Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hopkins
and family visited his sister at
Erskine over Saturday and Sun-
day.

The name of Bro. Gaskill was
inadvertently left off the list of
officers of the Orange Lodge
last week. He is treasurer.

Friday night will be one long
to be remembered in Mirror. It
is the night of the Elks' Big
dance. Specialties galore. You
will have one hilarious time.

Mrs. N. G. Spiece and family
left on Monday for Los Angeles
where they will spend some
time with Mrs. Spiece's father,
Mr. Piper.

H. J. Snell, Optometrist, will
be at the W. I. building, Mirror,
on Wednesday January 19th,
and every third Wednesday of
the month thereafter.

Tuxis, Monday 7 p.m. C.G.L.
T. Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Trail
Rangers, Friday, 7 p.m.; Bea-
vers, Saturday, 10 a.m.

Dr. Watson, Dentist, will be
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day, December 17th until Mon-
day noon, December 20th, and
from December 30th to Jan. 3.

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W. A. 3rd Thursday of each
month.

Ripley Ladies Aid meets 3rd
Thursday of each month.

Lake Band Community Club
last Wednesday of each month.

Don't forget the New Year
Festival and dance by the Elks
on December 31st.

Miss Johnson left Friday to
spend the holidays at her home
in Calgary.

Owing to the New Year serv-
ice at Alix Mirror Union serv-
ice next Sunday will be held at
3 p.m.

Miss Panrucker is spending
the holidays at her home in
Camrose.

Mr. and Mrs. Estelle spent
Christmas with the latter's par-
ents at Tees.

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Mrs. Smith and family, of
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monton, are visiting their mo-
ther, Mrs. McLeod.

Mrs. Boyer spent Christmas
with her daughter, Mrs. F. S.
Smathers.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Smathers
spent the week-end at Ferin-
tosh.

Mr. Slinger and family spent
Christmas at the home of A.
W. King.

Mrs. Norton entertained a
number of friends Monday.

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day evening.

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